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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES

MADE, AND LISTING OF ALL CLAIMS WITH PROPER IDENTIFIERS

1. (Currently amended) A device for at least one of automating and controlling

[[a]] at least one machine tool [[tools]] or production machine machines,

comprising:

at least one computer handheld device located remote from the at least one

[[of the]] machine tool [[tools]] or production machine machines and

including control functions for controlling the at least one machine tool

[[tools]] or production machine machines;

at least one thin client included in the at least one machine tool or

production machine for converting control input from the at least one

handheld device into bus telegrams, said thin client lacking built-in

intelligence; and

at least one bus system connecting the at least one computer handheld

device with the at least one thin client each machine tools or production

machines and adapted to transmit data and control signals unidirectionally

or bidirectionally between the at least one handheld device and the at least

one thin client [[,]] wherein said remote computer is configured as a manual

control device.

2. (Original) The device of claim 1, wherein the bus system is configured as a

redundant and secure bus system.

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 (Original) The device of claim 1, wherein the bus system is implemented at an Ethernet bus system.

4. (Original) The device of claim 1, wherein the bus system comprises a secure wireless connection.

5. (Cancelled)

6. (Currently amended) The device of claim 1, wherein the <u>at least one</u> handheld device at least one computer processes the control functions of several machine tools or processing machines in parallel.

7. (Currently amended) The device of claim 1, and further comprising a plurality of said at least one computer, comprising at least two handheld devices [[with]] for processing the control functions being processed on at least two of the plurality of computers.

8. (Cancelled).

9. (Original) The device of claim 1, and further including a central electric supply unit that supplies energy to the machines.